



Executive Proclamation by Frank H. Murkowski, Governor

The U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared November 13-17, 2006, as International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions international education makes to our nation.

International education and exchange includes thousands of programs, public and private, campus-based and national, that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders. These include study abroad programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on U.S. campuses, area and foreign language studies, and global approaches to U.S. education.

By participating in such programs our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures, and break down barriers to understanding and cooperation, which are vital to peace and prosperity.

We live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness, and national security.

I call upon the citizens and institutions of Alaska to participate in celebrating this week and to recognize the importance of international education in our lives and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Frank H. Murkowski, Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby proclaim November 13-17, 2006, as:

International Education Week

in Alaska, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

Dated: November 3, 2006

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Frank H. Murkowski, Governor who has also authorized the seal of the State of Alaska to be affixed to this proclamation.